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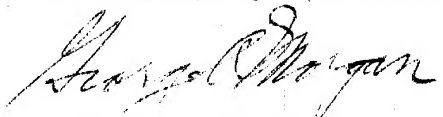
MEMORANDUM TO OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD

SUBJECT : Terms of Reference for Coordination of PSB D-23
REFERENCE : NSC Action No. 900

Board consideration of the following terms of reference and decision on the point of working group disagreement are requested. Following a decision on the terms of reference, member agencies are requested to designate their representatives for the working group.

1. In general, coordination shall be accomplished with a minimum of formality;
2. Primary responsibility for operations arising out of the plan remains with the agencies;
3. Agency arrangements for implementation of Phase I shall be completed not later than November 15;
4. Implementation of agency tasks and their coordination, when necessary, need not await completion of all operational planning; some projects should be started immediately;
5. A working group, chaired by the representative of the Department of State, with an Executive Secretary from the OCB staff, shall be set up to facilitate inter-agency coordination in accordance with Section 2 of the OCB Executive Order; [this working group is not intended to replace normal inter-agency procedures for coordination;]*
6. The Chairman and Executive Secretary shall maintain close contact, wherever feasible, with activities within the scope of the paper, and request group consultation as necessary;
7. The working group shall report on implementation to the OCB by February 1, 1954, and thereafter as directed.

*State proposal, not concurred in by other agency representatives.


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